

CITY OF SANTA CLARA  
YOUTH COMMISSION MINUTES  
November 13, 2007

The City of Santa Clara Youth Commission met for an informational meeting on Tuesday, October 9, 2007 at 6:00pm at the Santa Clara Teen Center, 2446 Cabrillo Avenue, Santa Clara, California.

Present: Commissioners: Ferheen Abbasi, Kelsi Auday, Vanessa Harsh, Noama Iftekhar, Jennifer Juniega, Kristina Little, Brian Mulligan, Tammy Nguyen, Zedric Ochoa, Eric Spinks and Alex Vargas

Absent: Paul Barghouth- excused  
Zahida Mubeen – unexcused  
Niral Patel – excused  
Anya Vo – excused

Guests: Amisha Patel – student at Wilcox High School  
Dria Murphy – student at Santa Clara University  
Matt Long – student at Santa Clara University  
Brady Fuerst – student at Santa Clara University  
Kevin Madden – student at Santa Clara University

Staff Present: Marilyn Dippell, Acting Superintendent of Parks and Recreation  
Nan Choi, Young Adult Librarian  
Jennifer Herb, Recreation Supervisor

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Matters for City Council Action – None

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- I. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Zedric Ochoa at 6:11 p.m.
- II. INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS –  
Amisha Patel – student at Wilcox High School  
Dria Murphy – student at Santa Clara University  
Matt Long – student at Santa Clara University  
Brady Fuerst – student at Santa Clara University  
Kevin Madden – student at Santa Clara University
- III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM October 9, 2007 MEETING – Zedric Ochoa made a motion to amend the minutes with the following changes: IV. – C,c Lynbrook is misspelled, should be spelled with on “n”, V. – Council is misspelled, should be spelled COUNCIL, VII. – F, cities should not be capitalized. Eric Spinks seconded the motion. Ferheen Abbasi made a motion to approve the amended minutes, seconded by Vanessa Harsh.
- IV. CORRESPONDENCE/COMMUNICATONS–  
A. Wilcox

- a. November 1 – Blood Drive
  - b. November 7 & 8, 15 & 16 – Drama production, “Crucible”
  - c. November 9 & 16 – Food Faire
  - d. November 13 – Begin Toy Drive for George Mayne Elementary School
  - e. November 13 – Seniors order graduation announcements, caps & gowns
  - f. November 20 – Sony sophomore presentation
  - g. November 21 – 23, No school
- B. Santa Clara
- a. November 9 – Diwali Celebration at lunch
  - b. November 8 – 10, Drama production, “Prime Time Crime”
  - c. November 13 – Blood Drive
  - d. November 16 – Night of Acoustics
- C. Peterson
- a. October 31 – Halloween Hall contest
  - b. November 2 – Tug-o-War competition
  - c. November 9 – Pizza party for the winners of Red Ribbon Week (Ms. Lin’s geometry class)
  - d. November 9 – Raffle ticket sale
  - e. November 13 – Raffle winners announced
- D. Archbishop Mitty
- a. November 14 – Immersion Night
  - b. November 15 – Fall Improv Night
  - c. November 18 – Open House
  - d. November 30 – Winter Dance
- E. Library
- a. November 27 – Movie/book discussion, “Invisible” at 4:00pm

V. SUMMARY OF CITY COUNCIL ACTIONS – none

VI. OLD BUSINESS

- A. The Youth Commission has determined that their goals for the 2007-2008 term will be:
- Transportation –
  - Intergenerational activities –
  - Moondance Film Festival -
  - BMX Park possibility –
  - Philanthropy -
- B. Wilcox Homecoming, October 5 – was cancelled due to lack of ticket sales.
- C. Santa Clara Homecoming, October 12 – The Teen Center hosted the Santa Clara homecoming dance. It was a success with over 300 students in attendance.
- D. YC teambuilding, October 21 – The Youth Commission participated in the Synergy Learning Systems, Ropes Course in the Santa Cruz Mountains. It was an all-day event for teambuilding purposes.
- E. YC committee meetings, October 23 – The Youth Commission set the time for the above mentioned committee meetings.
- F. Halloween Party, October 31 – The Youth Commission sold concessions during the City-wide Halloween party. The sales of the concessions will go towards the scholarship fund.

- G. YAC Social, November 3 – The Youth Commission attended the YAC Social in Redwood City in preparation for the YAC Attack in March. The City commissions/councils got together for teambuilding as well as a brainstorming session for ideas for the YAC Attack.

VII. COMMITTEE MEETINGS

- A. Transportation
- B. Intergenerational
- C. Moondance Film Festival
- D. BMX Park
- E. Philanthropy

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. Youth Commission logo/T-shirt design - Jennifer passed around different logos from other cities as an example of some ideas. The group decided that they would form a committee to continue the discussion and then report back to the rest of the commission as to what they came up with. A committee meeting was set for November 27 at 4:00pm.
- B. Gobble Gobble at the Teen Center, November 16 – 8 clubs from Santa Clara and Wilcox high schools will be allowed to sell food at the Gobble Gobble. Sign-ups will be taken on a first come-first serve basis.
- C. Letters to Santa, December 3 – 21 – The Youth Commission will be responding to children's letters to Santa.
- D. Tree Lighting Ceremony, December 7 – The Youth Commission will be painting faces, passing out candy canes and programs at the Holiday Tree Lighting Ceremony.
- E. Casino Night at the Teen Center, December 14 – The Teen Center will be hosting the annual Casino Night. This year, the focus will be on an old favorite, Bingo.

IX. PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS – none

- X. ADJOURN – A motion was made by Zedric Ochoa and seconded by Ferheen Abbasi, to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m. Meeting was adjourned to the next scheduled meeting, Tuesday, December 11 at the Teen Center.

Minutes Prepared by: \_\_\_\_\_

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Recreation Supervisor